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PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Koji Nakata, et al
Serial No : To be Assigned
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For : BIODEGRADABLE POLYESTER RESIN COMPOSITION,
BIODISINTEGRABLE RESIN COMPOSITION, AND MOLDED
OBJECTS OF THESE
Group Art Unit: To be Assigned
Examiner : To be Assigned

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Attention: DO/EO/US

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir: Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims 5, 10, 12, 13, 15, 22, 24, 32-35, 45-47, 50-52, 61-62

as follows:

5. (Amended) A biodegradable film which comprises molding a polyester resin composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1-4] claim 1.

10. (Amended) A biodegradable stake which comprises molding a polyester resin composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1-4] claim 1.

12. (Amended) A biodegradable stake as claimed in claim 10 [any one of claims 10-11], wherein said stake is employed for agriculture, and civil engineering or construction.

13. (Amended) A protecting material for plants which comprises molding a polyester resin composition as claimed in [any one of claims 1-4] claim 1.